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# **GOI Defers New Import Requirements for Raw Hides and Skins**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

The Ministry of Agriculture released a final Gazette notification on January 16, 2009 to defer the implementation of the new hides and skins import provisions (published on October 7, 2008) from January 15, 2009 to January 31, 2009.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Trade Report New Delhi [IN1]

#### Introduction:

On January 16, 2009, the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Ministry of Agriculture released an official Gazette notification to defer the implementation of the new hides and skins import rule (dated October 7, 2008) from January 15, 2009 to January 31, 2009.

Earlier notifications related to the import regulations for various categories of raw hides and skins can be reviewed via IN8033, IN8060, IN8071, IN8122, IN8134 and IN8142.

#### Disclaimer:

This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural exports to India.

Details on the final Gazette notification No. 188(E), dated January 14, 2009

Type of Regulation: Final

Publication Date: January 16, 2009

**Notification to the WTO:** Not Notified (as of January 20, 2009)

Effective Date: January 16, 2009

**Products Affected**: Raw hides and skins of bovine or equine animals, sheep

or lamb, other raw skins (skins of goats and swine), fresh or salt dried, limed, pickled or otherwise preserved but not tanned, parchment dressed or further prepared, whether or not de-haired or split with wool on or split.

Agency In charge: Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries

(DADF), Ministry of Agriculture (MOA), Government of

India (GOI)

The text details of the notification can be assessed at: <a href="http://dahd.nic.in/trade/Gazzette19jan2009.pdf">http://dahd.nic.in/trade/Gazzette19jan2009.pdf</a>

#### Comments:

The Ministry of Agriculture posted a notification (dated January 14, 2009) on its website on January 19 regarding the new import requirements for hides and skins. The new notification defers the implementation of the provisions under the October 7, 2008 notification and the sanitary certificate requirements for hides and skins to January 31, 2009. Therefore, imports of raw hides and skins will be permitted under the old requirements (detailed under notification no. S.O. 794 (E), dated March 28, 2008) until January 31, 2009.

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